MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL CODE OF 1998 (EXCERPT) Act 58 of 1998

436.2025 Giving away alcoholic liquor; exception; sale to intoxicated persons prohibited; inadmissibility of breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results.

Sec. 1025. (1) A vendor shall not give away any alcoholic liquor of any kind or description at any time in connection with his or her business, except manufacturers for consumption on the premises only.

- (2) Subsection (1) does not prevent any of the following:
- (a) A vendor of spirits, brewer, mixed spirit drink manufacturer, wine maker, small wine maker, outstate seller of beer, outstate seller of wine, or outstate seller of mixed spirit drink, or a bona fide market research organization retained by 1 of the persons named in this subsection, from conducting samplings or tastings of an alcoholic liquor product before it is approved for sale in this state, if the sampling or tasting is conducted pursuant to prior written approval of the commission.
- (b) A person from conducting of any sampling or tasting authorized by section 537 or rule of the commission.
- (c) A class A or B hotel designed to attract and accommodate tourists and visitors in a resort area from giving away alcoholic liquor to an invitee or guest in connection with a business event or as a part of a room special or promotion for overnight accommodations.
 - (3) A vendor shall not sell an alcoholic liquor to a person in an intoxicated condition.
- (4) Evidence of any breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results obtained in a licensed establishment, or on property adjacent to the licensed premises and under the control or ownership of the licensee, shall not be admissible to prove a violation of this section, section 707(1), (2), (3), or (4), or section 801(2). To establish a violation of this section, section 707(1), (2), (3), or (4), or section 801(2), the person's intoxicated condition at the time of the sale or consumption of alcohol must be proven by direct observation by law enforcement or commission enforcement personnel or through other admissible witness statements or corroborating evidence obtained as part of the standard investigation other than breathalyzer or blood alcohol test results.

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